



VA National Acquisition Center's (NAC) **FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE (FSS) MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER**

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Training Topic: What is Disaster Recovery Purchasing?

Through Section 833 of the John Warner National Defense Authorization Act, state and local governments are permitted to use the Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) (as well as all General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Supply Schedule contracts) to procure products and services when a major disaster is declared by the president of the United States.

FSS contractors have the option of deciding whether or not they will accept orders placed by state or local government buyers, which is based on two levels. First at the contract level, FSS contractors will decide whether they want to offer Disaster Recovery Purchasing and either enter into a mutual agreement with the FSS to modify their existing contract or indicate, prior to contract award, their intent to offer their products and/or services under Disaster Recovery Purchasing. Second, even after an existing contract is modified or a new contract awarded, a FSS contractor will retain the right to decline orders received from state or local government entities on a case-by-case basis. Please note that an order may be declined at any time for any reason within a five-day period after receipt of the order; however, credit card orders must be declined within 24 hours.

State and local government entities are encouraged to use the GSA Schedule Ordering Procedures in order to ensure the benefit of receiving the best value from GSA Schedule contractors, but they may use whatever established competitive ordering procedures are needed to meet their state and local acquisition regulations. Furthermore, any disputes that arise will not be handled by the Federal Government.

Please be mindful that every price on the FSS includes an Industrial Funding Fee (IFF). The IFF reimburses our office for procurement and administrative costs incurred to operate the FSS Program. The fee is paid by ordering activities, and is collected by the contractor – who then remits payment to the FSS every quarter with their sales report. Thus, all Disaster Recovery sales should be reported on a firm's quarterly sales report.

If you would like to learn more about the Disaster Recovery program, please review the following website:
http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/gsa/ep/contentView.do?contentType=GSA_OVERVIEW&contentId=22410

If you have any questions/concerns about the Disaster Recovery program, or would like to learn more about a specific topic and/or issue, please feel free to contact the FSS helpdesk at (708)786-7737 and/or helpdesk.ammhinfss@va.gov.

RECENTLY AWARDED FSS CONTRACTS (DECEMBER 2009)

Pharmaceutical, Dental, Patient Mobility, & X-Ray (Website:
<http://www1.va.gov/oamm/oa/nac/fsss/pharmfss.cfm>)

- Humco Holding Group: V797P-5145B (Small Pharmaceutical Business)
- ACE Surgical Supply: V797P-3199M (Small Dental Business)

Medical/Surgical Equipment (Website: <http://www1.va.gov/oamm/oa/nac/fsss/medequipsupfss.cfm>)

- Excel Gloves & Safety Supplies, Inc.: V797P-4270B (Small Disadvantaged, Woman Owned, Hub-Zone, Med/Surg Business)
- Midbrook, Inc.: V797P-4267B (Small Woman Owned, Med/Surg Business)
- Marpac, Inc.: V797P-4263B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Wedge Group, LLC.: V797P-4250B (Small Woman Owned, Med/Surg Business)
- Life Gear, LLC.: V797P-4268B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Sharps Compliance Inc of Texas: V797P-4265B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- American Printing House for the Blind: V797P-4266B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Southmedic, Inc.: V797P-4271B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Bayside Medical Capital Equipment, LLC.: V797P-4273B (Small Disadvantaged, Disabled Veteran Owned, Med/Surg Business)
- Tactile Systems Technology, Inc.: V797P-4274B (Small Med/Surg Business)

Medical Professional & Laboratory Testing Services & Cost-Per-Test (Website:
<http://www1.va.gov/oamm/oa/nac/fsss/fssprotrain.cfm>)

- Milenia Physicians Placement: V797P-7243A (Small Professional Medical Services Business)
- ExecuTeam Staffing LP: V797P-7244A (Small Professional Medical Services Business)
- James Valley Imaging, LTD: V797P-7242A (Small Professional Medical Services Business)
- Travel Nurse Solutions, LLC: V797P-7247A (Large Professional Medical Services Business)
- Donald L. Mooney, LLC DBA Nurses Etc.: V797P-4684A (Small Professional Medical Services Business)

In order to obtain pricing information for all of the companies referenced above, please review the NAC Search Tool (<http://www1.va.gov/nac/index.cfm>) or GSA E-Library (<http://www.gsaelibrary.gsa.gov/ElibMain/scheduleList.do>).

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Please note that we do not currently have any FSS customer training classes scheduled at this time. However if you would like to attend a training session, schedule a new one, or request additional information, please contact Ms. Veronica Hazen at Veronica.Hazen@va.gov. Please note that the FSS Customer Training is **ONLY APPLICABLE TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**.